

## WRECKED BY THE BOERS

A British Armored Train Blown Up Near Vryburg.

Fifteen English Soldiers Said to Have Been Killed in the Crash. The Boers Had Been Piloting Transvaal Refugees to Safety—Nine Prisoners Met Death in a Railway Collision at Victoria West—A Manifesto Issued by Kruger's State Secretary—The Orange Free State President's Proclamation in Behalf of the South African Republic.

CAPE TOWN, Oct. 13.—The report that a British armored train had been wrecked by the Boers near Vryburg, with great loss of life, caused great excitement here this morning. The first tidings stated that it was feared that 300 women and children were involved in the wrecked train, but this was afterward denied. It is stated on authority, however, that the British armored train, which was acting as pilot for a refugee train, was blown up and that fifteen English soldiers were killed.

The report further states that the Boers pounded the wreckage of the armored train with shells. Vryburg, where the wreck occurred, is on the Bulwer's Railroad, one hundred miles north of Mafeking.

The wrecked armored train attempted to run through the Boers on its return journey, after escorting the women and children safely to Vryburg.

In a collision yesterday at Victoria West between two trains carrying refugees, nine persons were killed. Victoria West is a station in Cape Colony on the Cape Town, Worcester and Kimberley Road.

A despatch to the "Cape Times" from Lobatse states that young Neethling, who pluckily rode into the Boer camp to arrange for the safety of the women and children, has been detained as a prisoner.

Gold belonging to the Bank of Africa, the Standard Bank, and the Afrikaans Bank Company has been commandeered at Johannesburg.

Martial law has been proclaimed in the Orange Free State. All Englishmen will leave that country before 6 o'clock tomorrow evening. The young burghers, who were dismissed with General Cronje's disloyal tactics, have sent him to the rear and appointed one of their own number to take command.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—The cabinet met at the foreign office at 12:30 p. m. to arrange for the opening of Parliament October 17. Prime Minister Salisbury, who came in from Hatfield this morning, presided. There were few spectators, which showed that the tension has lessened with the close of the diplomatic negotiations. The people on the sidewalk raised their hats as Colonel Secretary Chamberlain entered the building.

Secretary Retz's Manifesto.

A despatch from Pretoria says that State Secretary Retz has issued a manifesto, in which he accuses Prime Minister Salisbury, Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, and Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner, of being the cause of the war. He blames Her Majesty for condoning "Chamberlain's criminal policy." He says Great Britain offered two alternatives—the five years' franchise or war. He tells the Afrikaners that God will surely defend their rights. A million copies of Retz's manifesto have been printed in Dutch and English.

Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner, has telegraphed Secretary Chamberlain a confirmation of the statement that the Boers wrecked a train at Krail Pann. The train was on its way northward to Mafeking with guns.

At a meeting of the Protestant Association in Belfast today, resolutions were adopted approving the government's policy in the Transvaal. The meeting also recorded the hope that the government would transport free "all cowardly Fenians wishing to help the Boers, in order that they may be shot for their country's good in the only place they ever present to British troops, their backs."

The Mansion House fund for the relief of Transvaal refugees now amounts to £2,500.

President Steyn's Proclamation.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Orange Free State, Oct. 13.—The proclamation of President Steyn, of the Orange Free State declares in favor of the most cordial co-operation "with our sister republic which is about to be attacked by an unscrupulous enemy who has long looked for a pretence to annihilate the Afrikaners."

The proclamation states historically the wrongs done the Transvaal. It says: "The original conventions have been tested and turned by Great Britain into a means of exercising tyranny against the Transvaal, which did not return the injustice done in the past. No gratitude has been shown for the indulgence granted to British subjects, who, according to law, forfeited their lives and property. The crafty plans of those whose love of gold is the motive are now being realized."

President Steyn goes on to say that solemn obligations have not protected the Transvaal against the annexation conspiracy. When its independence ceases, he says, "the existence of the Orange Free State is at an end."

B. & O. R. to Frederick, Hagerstown, Harper's Ferry, and Winchester.

By special train leaving Washington 7 a. m., Sunday, October 15. Returning, leave Winchester and Hagerstown 7 p. m., Harper's Ferry 8 p. m., and Frederick 7:45 p. m. same day. Tickets also sold from intermediate points.

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## SIXTH FAILURE TO RACE

Cup Yachtsmen Again Disappointed by Fog and Light Winds.

The Regatta Committee Declares On the International Contest for the Day—Sir Thomas Lipton Takes the Matter Philosophically—Members of Yacht Clubs Not Discouraged.

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—Thick fog and gentle zephyrs were the weather conditions again this morning and no attempt was made to start the Columbia-Shamrock race.

It was seen early in the morning that there was absolutely no chance for a coast and few excursion boats went down the bay. Sir Thomas Lipton who remained on board the Shamrock took the sixth disappointment philosophically, saying it was only a case of wait. "There must be wind sometime," he said.

About noon he received a despatch from the regatta committee, saying that the race was declared off for the day.

A Record-Breaking Calm.

A dead, flat calm, with a mighty fog that swallowed land and sea and out of which came the troubled voices that tell of danger aloft, marked the opening of the sixth day upon which yachts were to sail their race. With not a breath of air stirring and with a close cloud of mist so thick upon the waters that the stern of such a short vessel as a tug was scarcely distinguishable from its bow, it seemed as though nature had made up her mind to cap the climax of failures by making the sixth race as bitter and as complete as it was possible for a race to make it.

Five failures, each one decisive and complete in its way, have broken the record for Cup racing, but this morning's calm promised to break even this record of failures. Yachtsmen, professional and amateur, not to speak of those who have caught the infection of the sport since the Columbia and Shamrock have been performing in this vicinity, threw up their hands in surrender, when they took the measure of the weather. At the hour when the racing crowd usually leaves town for the race, there was not one person in a hundred that there would be a race, and those whose interest in racing is alive only at such times as present, were not long in deciding to stay at home rather than make another fruitless trip through fog and over flat waters to the lightship, only to see the signal that by this time the race was over.

"No race" run up on the committee boat and the Corvair.

Not to be Discouraged.

With those who own yachts or who are members of yacht clubs, which have a steamboat specially chartered for the occasion, it was different. They would rather take a score of useless trips out to the old lightship, than to stay at home and see the spectacle of every part of a race between the Cup yachts. These hardened amateur sailors went down the bay in their several means of conveyance, just as great as on the day set for the first brush between the two boats. Neither weather nor other causes can discourage the stout-hearted lot, and although such morning as this would have been a disaster to the race, the faithful yachtsmen will not be kept at home by anything short of a storm.

Off the battery at 7 o'clock there was but a moderate haze, a bit thicker, perhaps, than at the same hour yesterday, but not heavy enough to bother the pilots, whose craft swarmed and expressed deep sorrow at the sun had come up behind a compact bank of fog and was completely hidden there.

Scarcely any breeze was felt. Flugs on a still craft, hurtled along as if on wheels, and those on moving vessels flustered feebly and indifferently.

As Still as a Painted Sea.

The bay was as still as a Florida pond on a summer day, barely a ruffle agitating its composed face. Save where the meeting currents of the two rivers lay up an eddy off Charlie Wilson's house, the water was unbroken sea, while Tompkinsville and Staten Island showed dimly through the haze.

The fleet of barks, schooners, barges, fishing craft, and steam yachts lying in Red Hook Flats was hoisted out and the wooded bluff of Bay Ridge towering above the Narrows might have belonged to some foreign island, and the water to some distant mist upon it. Fog bells tolled coarsely at Quarantine and at Fort Hamilton.

The sun had pushed up like a big gold ball, as far away and distant looking through the intervening fog as the sun of another world. Down the bay the fog increased. Below the Narrows a dense fog, some of them with long strings of lights in tow, were making out to sea, and in the just fading distance a big steamship was moving east. At 10 o'clock the wind freshened to four miles an hour, but at 10:35 it decreased to three miles, but seemed likely to increase again. The fog was dense, however, and nearly all the yachtsmen declared the chances for the race were dismal. Their prophecy proved correct for the race was declared off for today.

A BICYCLE THIEF ARRESTED.

Charles Corum in Jail for Stealing a Bicycle.

Detective Muller today arrested Charles C. Corum, colored, twenty-seven years of age, who claims New York city as his home, and locked him up on a charge of stealing a bicycle, the property of George M. Williams, Jr., 1325 Vermont Avenue. The bicycle was stolen from a front of 1319 Vermont Avenue Saturday night.

Detective Muller located Corum with the stolen property in his possession. Corum admits his guilt and expressed deep sorrow at having left New York. He will be arraigned in court tomorrow morning.

Four Victims of Nitroglycerine.

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—Four men were killed in the explosion of a nitroglycerine mixing house at the Aetna Powder Works, which occurred at Aetna Tuesday night, though only two were thought to be missing following the morning. The dead are: John Gallagher, John Hoffman, John Joyce and William Seiberger. All of the victims were single men. The cause of the explosion is not known.

Death of Private O'Neil.

General Davis cabled the War Department from San Juan, Porto Rico, today news of the death of Private Christopher O'Neil, Troop 1, 1st Cavalry, who died yesterday. His demise was due to inflammatory rheumatism.

Telephone Bonds Allotted.

W. B. Hibbs & Co., the brokers, have been allotted a portion of the issue of bonds now to be put on the market by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company. The entire issue is for \$1,600,000, and Hibbs & Co. lot \$500,000 worth.

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## THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

Officials Gratified by the Prospective Provisional Arrangement.

Although no confirmation of the statement made by Sir Louis Davis, Canadian Minister of Marine and Fisheries, that he had given Canada's consent to the modus vivendi establishing a provisional boundary line between Alaska and the British possessions, thus removing the last obstacle in the way of a temporary adjustment of this embarrassing question, has been received at the State Department, much gratification is expressed over the probable outcome of negotiations.

The modus does not affect the principle of the boundary controversy and the provisional boundary is, however, to be observed by both parties until a permanent settlement is reached, thus reducing to a minimum the chances of a conflict between the people in the disputed territory which might have involved the United States and Great Britain in attitudes of hostility.

The temporary boundary actually delimited in the modus is only about seventeen miles long, but is considered an important imaginary line less clearly defined to Chilcot Pass and White Pass. The boundary by imaginary line and actually defined, is as follows: From the Canadian custom houses at the summit of White Pass and Chilcot house to a point north of the Indian village of Klukwan, thence southward to a point a mile and a half west of Klukwan, thence following the course of the Tleibit River to the junction of the Tleibit with Copper Creek, thence following the course of Cooper Creek north to the summit of the mountain peak just to the southwest of Dalton's cache.

The imaginary line could not be more clearly defined on a map of the mountain range between White and Chilcot passes and the point north of the village of Klukwan. By this agreement Great Britain does not get a port in the waterway that is navigable even by canoes or other light draft carriers. The ports of Dyva and Skagway remain on the American side of the line. While the modus is in force Canada cannot send goods into the Klondike except through American territory.

ECENTRIC ANNE SKINNER.

Death of a Wealthy Woman With a Mania for Bargains.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 13.—Miss Anne Skinner, who died here Wednesday night, was one of the most eccentric of women. She was wealthy, the most of her money being in Government bonds, which were kept in a strong box at her bank. Every week or so a clerk from the bank would carry the box to her home, and she would examine the papers.

The strangest of her recent eccentricities was her fondness for buying things at bargain sales. She was a close reader of papers. When she saw a bargain sale advertised she always ordered her carriage and attended it. She bought freely of everything which happened to strike her fancy. She would always take the parcels home in her carriage. When she reached her home, she lost interest in her purchases, and they were piled in a vacant room, and were never opened.

After her death, the room was to be filled with these purchases and tied just as when they left the counter. There were hundreds of bundles, and an examination showed that they cost thousands of dollars. The contents made such a hedge-podge of remnants of odds and ends, however, that their value to the estate will be little.

HOME AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

The Adventurous Career of a West Virginia Man.

PIDMONT, W. Va., Oct. 13.—Charles A. Bell has returned to this place, his former home, after having been unheard of for over thirty years. He has relatives here, also at Oakland, Md. Bell's career has been an adventurous one. He fought in the First Virginia Cavalry, was captured at Winchester, and sent to Libby Prison, Richmond. Upon his release, through influential friends, he secured a lucrative place in the Ordnance Department, Washington. He saved considerable money, and in 1867 he returned, and went to Nevada, where he became one of the promoters of the famous Comstock mines. He grew rich, but lost all in speculation. He was struck by a train while en route to Nevada, and his ribs and jaw being broken and his teeth knocked out. He recovered and a few days ago, by walking and by freight train, reached his home, where he was warmly welcomed by his family.

CAUGHT IN BALTIMORE.

An Alleged Check Swindler Wanted in This City.

The local police were notified today of the arrest in Baltimore of Robert Nevins, of forty-five years of age, who is wanted here for having cashed a bogus check for \$25 on J. R. Simpson, a dayman.

Nevins was arrested on the charge of defrauding a Baltimore hotel of a board bill. Subsequently the Baltimore authorities learned that the man was wanted in this city for the check episode, which is a penitentiary offense and the local police were at once communicated with.

Detective Proctor, of headquarters, was detailed to take Nevins into custody. He was located at the hotel, where he was in possession of the prisoner, and he left the city on a noon train. He is expected to return with Nevins tonight.

MR. HARRISON'S MOVEMENTS.

After a Brief London Visit He Will Return to America.

BERLIN, Oct. 13.—Former President Harrison, who is staying at the Kaiserhof, has postponed his departure until tomorrow in order to accept an invitation from Prince Hohenzollern, the Imperial Chancellor. He had a long chat with the emperor at Potsdam Monday and also met Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands. He will visit The Hague and perhaps Antwerp and Brussels. At the latter place he expects to meet King Leopold.

The President will then spend a week in London and will sail for New York on the American line steamship St. Paul on October 28.

A Washington Express Delayed.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 13.—A freight wreck at Cedarhill, three miles north of here, delayed the Washington express on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, due to leave here at 2:30 o'clock this morning several hours.

Killed Before His Parents' Eyes.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 13.—A child of B. P. Colburn, who resides at Williamson, was instantly killed by a train on the Ohio River Railroad yesterday. The child ran across the track in front of the engine. It was killed with the parents looking on, and they were powerless to render aid.

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## BOSTON AWAITING DEWEY

The Admiral to Be Honored by a Military Escort.

A Parade to Be Reviewed This Afternoon—Mayor Quincy Will Present the City's Guest With a Watch Tomorrow, When a Second Pageant Will Take Place.

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—Admiral Dewey will arrive in Boston late this afternoon. From the north station he will be given a military escort consisting of detachments of the G. A. R., Naval Brigade Veterans, Legion of Spanish War Veterans, and Naval Veterans, to the Hotel Touraine, where he will stop. At the hotel he will review the parade.

Tomorrow he will first listen to 2,500 children singing national airs on the Boston Common. He will be then taken to the city hall, where Mayor Quincy, in behalf of the city, will present him with a watch, suitably engraved.

At noon he will ride in a carriage at the head of a parade consisting of the entire militia of Massachusetts, the naval brigade, and the sailors of the Olympia. At 2 o'clock he will review the parade with Governor Wolcott, and will then go to the Boston Common, and witness the exercises of turning over to the State the war colors by the troops.

The Admiral will then rest until evening, when he will be given a dinner at the Algonquin Club. This dinner will complete the official programme. The city has become a mass of busting. Throughout the city proper, even in streets where the parade will not go, decorations are profuse. The Architects' Society, which attempted to lay out a harmonious color scheme of the various streets, has failed in its work. The various owners of buildings decided for themselves and the decorations are in the main the national colors.

The influx of visitors has begun and by tomorrow it is expected that Boston will have a population of nearly a million.

DEWEY AT NORTHFIELD.

The Admiral Lays the Cornerstone of a New Hall.

NORTHFIELD, Vt., Oct. 13.—The little village of Northfield, in the heart of the Green Mountains, and the home of the Norwich University, at which Admiral George Dewey, as a cadet, was grounded in the principles of military training, today greeted the famous naval officer. It was a gray morning, but as the exercises at the university grounds were about to begin, the sun broke through the mist.

The chief feature of the occasion was the laying of the cornerstone of Dewey Hall, a building made possible by voluntary contributions from prominent alumni of the university. The ground for the new structure was first broken by Charles E. Clark, formerly of the battleship Oregon, on May 1 of the present year.

After the exercises of laying the cornerstone, the Admiral handling the trowel, there was a short reception, and then the Admiral and the others of his party were escorted to his train, which started at once for Boston.

FOR THE ADMIRAL'S TABLE.

An Offer of a Handsome Dinner Set Accepted.

Treasurer Roberts today received a letter from Nathan Straus, of New York, stating that the firm with which he is connected was requested by General Butterfield, chairman of the reception committee to prepare a special dinner set to be used at a dinner given in honor of Admiral Dewey, but as the Admiral's stay in New York was limited, the dinner had to be abandoned. Mr. Straus says he has the special designs for the dinner set, and if it meets with the approval of the committee he would be pleased to present the set to the Admiral through Treasurer Roberts. In reply to Mr. Straus' letter Treasurer Roberts sent the following:

Mr. Straus, New York City:

This coming afternoon I will have with me a special dinner set for the Admiral. Your generous offer, accompanied with a letter, has been received. The committee readily believe that, designed under your direction, the dinner set will be as you promised, "as tasty and handsome as any ever produced."

A number of small subscriptions to the Dewey Home Fund were received this morning. The committee expresses the opinion that the fund will reach \$60,000 before the house is selected.

DEWEY STANDS IN BOSTON.

Protests Against Invasion of the Common by New York Speculators.

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—The observation stands that are being erected on Boston Common by New York speculators for the Dewey celebration, with permits granted by Mayor Quincy, was the subject of warm discussion at the meeting of the Boston common council last night. The council was unanimous in its opinion that "this sacred ground was once more being encroached upon" and the members individually and collectively protested against the action of the mayor in granting the permits, especially to New Yorkers, who were "fakish" by several of the members of the council.

Councilman Lyden said that when Boston men made bids for the fireworks and decorations at the recent Dewey celebration in New York they were not considered because they were not citizens of New York. Councilman Watson, who led the movement, introduced an order to revoke all permits to build stands on the Common. Mr. Watson said that the law forbade the building of any structures on the Common. The order presented by Mr. Watson was unanimously passed without debate.

Several of the Democrats attacked Mayor Quincy, especially Councilman Linehan, who said that the New Yorkers who secured the permits really figured for the Boston board of strategy, which Quincy was chairman. Councilman Watson said to the council that if the mayor did not revoke the permit, he would ask the courts for an injunction restraining the speculators from completing or using the stands.

Breckinridge Speaks in Texas.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 13.—Former Representative W. C. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, was given an ovation at the State fair grounds today. He delivered the address on "Kentucky Day" at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Society of Texas.

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